

## Joan Baez "China"

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In the month of May, in the glory of the day  
Came the descendants of a hundred flowers  
And their fight it did begin with the aging Mandarin  
And they fought with an extraordinary power  
Everyone was smiling, their hearts were one  
In Tiananmen Square

But it seems that the Spring this year in Beijing  
Came just before the Fall  
There was no summer at all  
In Tiananmen Square  
China... China

There's peace in the emerald fields, there's mist upon  
the lakes  
But something is afoot in the People's Hall  
The spirit of Chu Ping is alive in young Chai Ling  
And the Emperor has his back against the wall  
Black sun rising over Tiananmen Square  
Over Tiananmen Square

But it seems that the Spring this year in Beijing  
Came just before the Fall  
There was no summer at all  
In Tiananmen Square  
China... China

In the month of June, in the darkness of the moon  
Went the descendants of a hundred flowers  
And time may never tell how many of them fell  
Like the petals of a rose in some satanic shower  
Everyone was weeping in all of China  
And Tiananmen Square

But it seems that the Spring this year in Beijing  
Came just before the Fall  
There was no summer at all  
In Tiananmen Square  
China... China

And even the moon on the fourth day of June  
Hid her face and did not see  
Black sun rising over Tiananmen Square

And Wang Wei Lin, you remember him  
All alone he stood before the tanks  
A shadow of forgotten ancestors in Tiananmen Square

And my blue-eyed son, you had no one  
You could call a hero of your age  
You have the rainbow warriors of Tiananmen Square,  
singing  
China Shall Be Free  
China Shall Be Free  
China Shall Be Free

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